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HOUSE AMENDMENT "H" to S.P. 799, L.D. 2345, Bill, "AN ACT to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in Laws of Maine."

Amend said Bill by inserting after section 80 the following:

'Sec. 80-A. 22 MRSA §7904, sub-§3, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 719, §6, is amended to read: Notwithstanding any provision referred to under Title 25, section 2452, the department shall permit any boarding care facility, which has a capacity of 15-beds-or-less more than 6 but less than 16 beds and which is maintained for mentally retarded persons or persons with related conditions, to comply with applicable fire safety provisions of the lodging and rooming house section, instead of the institutional occupancies section, of the Life Safety Code which has been adopted by the State Fire Marshal, if the following conditions are met.

Sec. 80-B. Effective date. Section 80-A of this Act shall become effective 91 days after the adjournment of the Legislature.'

Further amend said Bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Statement of Fact

This amendment corrects an error in PL 1975, c. 719 which was sponsored by the Committee on Health & Institutional Services Committee pursuant to Joint Rule 3. One of the purposes of this Public Law is to promote the development of small group homes for mentally retarded persons. If this amendment fails to pass and the error is not corrected, the development of these homes will be seriously hindered.

Filed by Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick.

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